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FURS

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IN BRIEF

The OPP are looking for a stolen 1985 Case four-wheel-drive yellow backhoe that was stolen from an Irondale property Jan. 6. If you have any information about this theft, call the OPP communications centre at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

IN QUOTES

"For me to make it to nationals it's a great accomplishment."

Jake Walker
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Runway addition may go to OMB

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The expansion of the Stanhope Airport may find its way to an Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearing, according the reeve of Algonquin Highlands.

On Jan. 6, Algonquin Highlands councillors met with the township's legal counsel for a closed meeting.

"Council will proceed in-camera to receive information pertinent to litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality and to receive advice subject to solicitor-client privilege related to the previous expropriation of lands adjacent to the Haliburton Stanhope Airport and located at Lot 31, Concession 6, geographic township of Stanhope," a message from the township's clerk read.

This lot is on property owned by the Middleton family, who were not available for comment.

While Reeve Eleanor Harrison

see NEXT STEP page 21



Terrance Gavan/TIMES

Unstoppable Hawks

Brett Yake (94) busted in all alone to score the Red Hawks third goal high and glove side against Crestwood Mustangs goaltender Jordan Harrison at the Dysart barn Monday night. The Hawks won 4-3 and stretched their league leading record to 7-0-1. See story on page 17.

Minden loses 'one special kid'

by JENN WATT
Editor

After spending half of his nearly 10 years of life sick with cancer and the side effects of chemotherapy and radiation, Dawson Hamilton passed away the morning of Sunday, Jan. 10, 13 days

before his 10th birthday.

Over the years the Minden community has taken Dawson and his family into its arms, trying its best to absorb some of the pain and worry illness causes. The loss of this young child will ripple profoundly through the entire county.

In January, 2008, Martha Perkins

went to visit Dawson in his room at Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto where he spent much of his life. The story of her time with Dawson and his dad Scot ran in the *Minden Times* March 19, 2008. This is an abridged version of that story.

see DAWSON page 18

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Broken water pipe at theatre cancels shows

Those Other Movies, a movie series playing simultaneously in Haliburton and Minden, is on hold at the Minden location because of a broken water pipe at the Beaver Theatre.

According to an email that went out to all ticket holders, the Jan. 14 and Feb. 11 shows in Minden will be cancelled and ticket holders are asked to travel to Haliburton for the next two shows.

"We are hopeful that we will be back in the Beaver Theatre for our March 11 film," the email reads.

Thursday's film is *Easy Virtue* and plays at 4:15 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. at the Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton only.

Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$8. A movie discussion will be held at McKecks restaurant after the evening show.

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CBC and Kraft sponsor the contest.

Four runners up will each receive \$25,000 in upgrades

for their arenas.

To enter, visit the CBC's website at www.cbc.ca.

The deadline is for the contest is Monday.

Corrections

Last week's *Minden Times* claimed 153 cm of snow in December was equal to six feet. It is actually closer to five feet. We apologize for the error.

Due to incorrect information quoted to the *Times*, last week's article titled "Greater demand for food banks this Christmas" should have read 257 vouchers were given last year by the food bank, and not 157 vouchers.

Minden Fringe Festival looking for proposals

The Minden Fringe has played to sell-out audiences at Wintergreen the last two seasons and enters season three in August, 2010 with plans to expand venues. We're looking for theatrical performances within the following guidelines:

- the call is inclusive, for "theatrical performances"
- we are open to fringy stuff, surprise us
- works may be original, but don't need to be
- they may or may not have been previously produced
- it is not required that applicants live/work in Haliburton County

County

- each performance should be no longer than 45 minutes

- the performance spaces are small with limited technical capacity

- each show receives a portion of the gate

- each performance will receive a fixed camera tape of their show

- there will be two performances of each piece in different venues

- successful applicants are responsible for all aspects of their production

- Minden Fringe will promote the series as a whole

- submissions must be in written and electronic form, accompanied by a fee of \$10 for students, \$20 for others, per submission

- submissions must be received by March 31; selections will be made within three weeks

Please send electronic copies to mindenfringe@gmail.com and written submission, along with application fee, to Fay Martin, 1166 Horseshoe Lake Road, RR 1, MINDEN, ON, K0M 2K0. Questions to 705-286-3668.

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All Minden pass-holders and ticket purchasers will easily be
accommodated at the Northern Lights Pavilion, located at the
Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Tickets at the door are \$8.00 each.
Regular showings will resume in the Beaver Theatre once the building
has been cleared by the appropriate authorities.

To thank you for your patience, and in consideration for any
inconvenience this change of venue may cause, the owner of the
Beaver Theatre, **Ludu Martin**, has invited us to show a bonus film for
each date missed.

For further information about the titles, dates and times of the bonus
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See Inside **The Highlands Weekender**

January 14, 2010

Minden Fringe Festival looking for proposals



Free in your mailboxes on Thursday...

This week's Weekender:

- Playing bridge in Haliburton
- Beth Tuck's Smart Money column
- Bessie's Books: More and more DVDs
- Minden Fringe Festival looking for proposals
- Cards scores, bowling scores

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Harvesters come from fur and wide

by ANGELICA BLENICH
Times Staff

The skies were grey and the air was crisp, but the faces found inside the Minden community centre on Jan. 10 were all full of smiles at the annual Fur Harvesters workshop.

The day's events, which included skinning demonstrations, fur competitions and a raffle, attracted fur enthusiasts from far and wide to kickoff another season of what many of the participants call a part-time hobby, but full-time interest.

"I used to be a full-time harvester," explained Brian Austen, as he busily skinned a fisher, before moving on to another animal. "I was president of the Minden district for 23 years. I worked for Hydro for many years, but harvesting has always kept me busy."



The workshop attracted people of all ages, such as this young enthusiastic participant being shown the ropes of fur harvesting.

Austen, like many of the other harvesters present, has watched the prices of fur rise and fall over the years, however in recent years it has been more of the latter that has occurred. Austen reminisces about when a certain fur would easily fetch \$500 at an auction, that same piece of fur going for \$50 nowadays.

"It's just like anything else with a bad economy, fur is going to suffer as well," says Austen.

Dave Bosma has spent 35 years of his life as a judge for Fur Harvesters. Bosma was on hand at the Minden workshop to inspect and judge a variety of furs trapped throughout the area.

According to Bosma, those involved and interested with the fur industry had their eyes set on the North Bay auction, which took place the day before the workshop.

"Yesterday's auction was a very important one for a number of reasons," explains Bosma. "Not only was it the first of the season, but everyone was keeping their eyes fixed on what the prices were."

The auction, which attracted 35 buyers, opened the season with very positive gains, with most species showing healthy increases. The numbers gave trappers something to finally smile about after last year's disappointing season.

"What we saw at the auction was that China and Russia were our biggest buyers," says Bosma. "Approximately 70 per cent of the fur harvested in North America is going to China. We sold 33,000 muskrats alone at yesterday's auction."

Bosma credits the drop in prices primarily to the economic crisis.

"Russia's economy is driven by oil and gas," says Bosma. "When those prices went up they bought less, and that really affected us. However Russia has always been very driven by high society and fur is very fashionable for them. So they're once again buying, which is great."

Bosma says those within the Fur Harvesters organization, which operates as a co-op, expect the market will continue to strengthen. The next Fur Harvesters auction is set to take place on Feb. 19, in Seattle.



A collection of animal furs, ranging from coyotes to beavers, was on display and ready to be judged and graded. /Photos by Angelica Blenich.



Brian Austen was on hand to give live skinning demonstrations to those in attendance. Austen served as president of the Minden district of fur harvesters for 23 years.

Mindenites give gift of life at first blood donor clinic of 2010

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Mindenites made their way to the village's community centre on Jan. 11 to donate blood in Minden's first blood donor

clinic of 2010.

Minden held its first blood donor clinic last year and this year, Canadian Blood Services plans to hold at least four clinics here, and likely more.

"We're hoping [to host a clinic in

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Barbara Clark of Canadian Blood Services, left, looks on as Haliburton resident Heather Coneybeare signs a pledge form for the Partners for Life program.

Minden] every two months," said Barbara Clark, a blood donor community development coordinator out of Peterborough.

Clark said she was pleased with Monday's turnout and the clinic also had a special guest.

Haliburton resident Heather Coneybeare had a liver transplant in December of 2008, after it was discovered that she was suffering from primary biliary cirrhosis, an autoimmune disease.

Coneybeare said there was no known reason why she had contracted the disease.

"It's just one of those things that happened," she said, adding that she felt lucky she was able to receive an organ.

"I survived. I'm one of the lucky ones that got a transplant."

Following her operation, Coneybeare required 10 blood transfusions to stay

alive.

"Hopefully I'm an inspiration for people to donate because there's a real need for it in this country," she said, adding that Canada is also short on organ donors.

As part of Canadian Blood Services' Partners for Life program, Coneybeare has pledged to try to collect 20 units of blood during clinics in Minden and Haliburton this year.

A unit is equivalent to approximately 250 millilitres of blood.

Anyone donating blood in Minden or Haliburton this year can mention Coneybeare's name and have their donation put towards her pledge.

Canadian Blood Services is a not-for-profit charity that holds 20,000 donor clinics across the country each year.

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Charlotte's Web author was a counsellor at Dorset camp

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

While most Haliburtonians are likely familiar with the classic children's novels *Stuart Little* and *Charlotte's Web*, what many may not know is that the books' author spent a number of summers in Haliburton County.

During the late 1920s and early 1930s, Elwyn Brooks White was a counsellor at Camp Otter, north of Dorset.

"It's not really common knowledge," said Norm MacKay of the Dorset Heritage Museum, although the author's time north of the 49th Parallel is well-known to members of the area's historical community.

As MacKay explained, a faculty member at Cornell University, where White had studied, owned Camp Otter, which existed on Otter Lake from about 1910 until 1970, when the land was sold and divided into cottage lots.

"It was Cornell-run," MacKay said. "It was a rich man's camp at the beginning."

While the museum has no pieces relating specifically to White, a substantial exhibit on the defunct camp includes old black-and-white photos of Ivy League-looking young men with sweater vests and perfectly groomed hair.

In the 1920s, White worked as an essayist for *The New Yorker* and his granddaughter, Martha White, has a series of letters he wrote from Dorset to publisher Harold Ross and also his wife during the summers of 1929, 1930 and 1931.

Martha, who spoke to the *Times* from her home in Maine last week, recently published a book featuring some of her

grandfather's letters and said that throughout his life, White had an affinity for the outdoors.

"He certainly wasn't an outdoorsman in the sense of the word today," Martha said laughingly, explaining that White wasn't much of a hunter or fisherman.

Rather, it was the peacefulness and serenity of nature that attracted him to the outdoors, she said.

And this theme comes up in White's writing.

In *Stuart Little*, which was published in 1945, there's a part where Stuart "climbed into his car and started up the road that led toward the north . . . he somehow felt he was headed in the right direction."

The Trumpet of the Swan, a later book, features a camp that apparently mirrored very closely what Camp Otter would have looked like during White's time.

Martha also says that her grandfather had spent time in Dorset circa 1920, a decade before he wrote the letters now in her possession.

"In 10 years, Dorset hasn't changed," she read from one of the letters. "It appears he'd been there before."

For a time, it even seems that White considered becoming or was part owner of the camp.

While MacKay believes that White did in fact own a share of the camp for a time, Martha believes the business transaction never came to fruition.

In a letter to Ross in 1931, White wrote that his potential business partner had requested payment of \$500 "which I will not send."

MacKay said to get to Dorset, White



Chad Ingram/TIMES

Camp Otter was located just north of Dorset and was in operation from about 1910 until 1970. During the 1920s and 1930s, E.B. White, the author of *Stuart Little* and *Charlotte's Web* among other books, was a counsellor there. The Dorset Heritage Museum has a collection of Camp Otter memorabilia.

would have made a long train trip from Buffalo to Huntsville and then taken a steamboat across the Lake of Bays.

He and his colleagues would have likely hiked the 10 or so kilometres from Dorset to the camp, MacKay said.

Pursuing his love of rural areas, White would eventually leave New York City and move to a farm in Maine to raise his family.

He died in 1985.



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EDITORIAL COMMENT

History touches Minden area

THE HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS are many things.
They are a vast expanse of largely untouched wilderness.
For some, they are a recreational playground and vacation destination.
For others, born and raised here, they are simply home.
However, the Highlands are also a bastion of history, a museum onto themselves, a keeper of secrets and surprises.

How many Highlanders were aware that during the 1920s and 1930s, E.B. White, the author of such children's books as *Stuart Little* and *Charlotte's Web* was a counsellor at the now-defunct Camp Otter near Dorset?

It's interesting to think that a man who arguably had a huge impact on not just children's literature, but pop culture in general, during the last century hiked through the same forests and swam in the same lakes that we do.

And White is not alone.

There are of course other famous and influential people who lived in this area for at least a portion of their lives.

Sir Sam's Inn was originally the summer retreat of Sir Sam Hughes, Canada's defence minister during the First World War.

More well known is that artists Ethel Curry and André Lapine both lived and worked here. Lapine, in fact, is buried in the cemetery on Minden's Bobcaygeon Road.

It is doubtless there are plenty of other stories of notable and influential people who have lived or stayed in the Highlands and it seems almost certain others will flock to this area in the future.

A sad day

A cloud of mourning has been cast over Minden after Dawson Hamilton passed away during the weekend.

Dawson touched the lives of many people in this community in his brave fight against cancer.

The *Times* wishes to extend its sincerest condolences to Dawson's family and friends.

Chad Ingram



IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Sunbathing deer

Photo by Chad Ingram

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Yes, we should be angry

To the Editor,

Thank you to Chad Ingram for a well-written and cogent summation of the issues surrounding Prime Minister Stephen Harper's latest trick.

You're right, Mr. Ingram; We SHOULD be angry. Personally I'm disgusted with his methods, and embarrassed by him as our representative on the world stage. This latest prorogation of Parliament - the trumped-up "reasons" for which, as stated by his government, only insults the intelligence of Canadians - is a flagrant bid to avoid

some very difficult and embarrassing questions, at a time when Canada will be in the world's spotlight for Olympics 2010. So to preserve his government and his pride, WE, the Canadian people, must put up with - and pay for - a parliamentary vacation?

I'd like to see the MPs who are truly dedicated to doing their jobs defy this knucklehead and go back to work this month with him or without him. But I'm not holding my breath.

Heather Deveaux
Haliburton

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Opportunity lost

ONE OF TIME MAGAZINE'S more interesting, strange stories of the decade has to do with an ailment known as "cello scrotum."

Believe me – this is a term I don't use lightly. But I feel we need to clear the air about it once and for all. The very future of our orchestras depends on it.

As most of you know, the term refers to a chaffing injury supposedly experienced by some male cello players. In fact, it was widely accepted in the medical community as a legitimate ailment, much like guitar nipple still is. But recently, Baroness Elaine Murphy, a doctor and member of Britain's House of Lords, admitted to fabricating the ailment in 1974, when she submitted a paper about it to the British Medical Journal.

You heard me right. Cello scrotum does not exist. I think we can all breathe a little easier tonight.

Needless to say, I'm ecstatic about this.

For one thing, after all these years, I'll finally be able to stop donating to help find a cure.

But there's a dark side too.

First off, it should come as no surprise to hear that many people think Baroness Murphy's hoax was extremely funny. Just for the record, I'm not one of them. For me, cello scrotum hit a little too close to home.

I was 12 years old in 1974, and like most young men of my generation, I dreamed of playing professional cello. But when word of this dreaded ailment finally reached us, that dream was shattered.

I remember the day I heard the news. Suddenly, I had an even greater appreciation for the music of Pablo Casals. And I knew I

could never trust a cello again.

Something very special was taken away from me that day. Sure, I could have risked

the discomfort and chaffing; perhaps I could have even resorted to baby powder or strange ointments. But, alas, I was neither that brave nor resourceful. So I took up the triangle, and, a year later, had to retire from that due to a repetitive motion injury.

Now, 36 years have passed and after hundreds of sleepless nights, I finally learn the truth about cello scrotum. Sadly, it's too late for me. Thanks a lot Baroness

always wonder if Murphy wasn't just having me on again.

No, the more I stand back from the situation, the more I realize that I have always shied away from any activity that threatens to chafe my scrotum. It's why I only rarely ride horses.

I realize that there are some folks among you who might be offended by the fact that I've used the word scrotum five, OK now six times in this column. Before you start writing letters to the editor, remember that I used it in a highly medical context, which makes it forgivable.

In any case, I can only dream about what life might have been like if I had picked up and learned to play the cello. In light of current information, I think I can honestly say, I probably would have had a ball.

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TheOutdoorLife@aol.com*



BEYOND 35

Steve Galea

Murphy.

Oh sure, I could buy myself a cello and try to learn, but in the back of my mind I'd

A licence to kill

IT WAS LESS THAN A YEAR AGO that a couple of friends from my old newspaper made the trek to Washington to help celebrate the dawning of a new day.

They were there for the inauguration of the first black president, not on assignment, but to bask in the hope that Barack Obama brought to a world awash in cynicism and despair.

Obama was to be the realization of the dreams of an earlier generation, a feel-good president, the personification of justice and truth, a protector of the rights of ordinary people.

As if to validate his good intentions, a Nobel Peace Prize was conferred on Obama well before he had been in office long enough to prove that he didn't deserve it.

I wonder what my old friends think of him now, this noble leader who thinks so little of the lives of innocent women and children that he assigns to others the task of deciding whether they should live or die.

I wonder if the office of the president is so thoroughly checked and balanced, its

options so constricted and restricted, that the man who occupies it becomes no more than a functionary acting within limitations so severe as to forbid moral considerations.

I wonder if Obama is any better than the much-despised president who came before him.

Finally, I wonder if this man who was honoured as a champion of peace in 2009 should be called to the bar of international justice as a war criminal in 2010.

Nothing that has happened in these past few weeks, not even a terrorist's attempt to blow up an airplane, can alter the fact that the killing of an unarmed, untried man is assassination and the deliberate killing of innocent bystanders is murder.

And the man on whose authority assassinations and murders are carried out is himself an assassin and a murderer and should

have to answer for his crimes, whether he is a terrorist or only a president who behaves like one.



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

Presidents, like mobsters and Henry II, evade responsibility by assigning it to others. In Obama's case, the decision is placed in the hands of the Central Intelligence Agency, even though assassinations are expressly forbidden by an executive order signed by an earlier president.

The CIA's tools are drones, essentially missile-launching flying robots. A computer algorithm helps make tough calls if, for example, a school might be collateral damage in the extermination of a terrorist. How would you like your child's life to depend on a computer algorithm?

A CIA-launched missile caught the diabetic leader of the Taliban in Pakistan in the

dangerous act of receiving an intravenous drip on the roof of his father-in-law's house. It killed 11 other people, some of whom were guilty of being his wife, his mother-in-law and his father-in-law.

Shed no tears for the target, whose hands were awash in blood. Mourn instead for the more than 200 victims, many of them also innocent bystanders, whose lives were the collateral cost of 15 earlier attempts to assassinate him, and for hundreds more victims of U.S. terrorism.

All of this comes from an article in an October issue of The New Yorker, which has haunted me ever since I read it. Hundreds more have died in CIA attacks.

All this is defence of American values. When you adopt the tactics of terrorism, what values do you have left to defend?

I am a mere scribbler and no expert on international law but I know what is right, and this isn't it. Obama has a lot to answer for.

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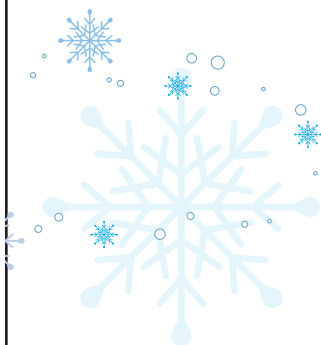
anyone who wants to keep an active mind and have some fun and make new friends as well as long time players of the game.

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Could this happen here?

To the Editor,

On a recent cross-country flight, I watched last year's Bond movie *Quantum of Solace*. And I was struck by its down-to-earth tone.

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Art imitates life.

How similar to the situation facing our neighbours in the southern part of this riding in Millbrook.

There, politicians and developers are planning to drain

and transport water from three artesian wells, located on the Oak Ridges Moraine, for 12 kilometres overland.

All to service the Kawartha Downs casino expansion, a new golf course and a sprawling subdivision of 100 homes and shops.

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Who will stand up to the powerful forces promoting this ruinous plan?

In 2006, concerned citizens spoke out, and were threatened with a lawsuit.

A shocking sign of our times.

Now, unfortunately, it takes a mythical James Bond, or Jane Bond, to defend us from these corporate raiders: our

elected representatives don't seem to want to.

Is our government really acting with our best, long-term interests in mind?

The stony silence speaks volumes. Enough said.

Susanne Lauten

Nominated candidate, Green Party of Canada
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, January 28, 2010 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

1. File No. 09-05

Applicant – **Sam PALUMBO**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Lake Kashagawigamog, lying in front of Lot 25, Concession 3, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9059, registered December 30, 2009.

2. File No. 09-01

Applicant – **Ruth and Christopher GOLDING**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Horseshoe Lake, lying in front of Lot 15, Concession 8, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9058, registered December 30, 2009.

3. File No. 08-21

Applicant – **Joanne BLAKE**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 14, geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9042, registered December 1, 2009.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 13th day of January, 2010.

Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST
Planning Administrator

For a complete list of regular 2010 COTW/General
Committee & Council Meeting dates visit
www.mindenhills.ca (Council)

MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Jan 14 Committee of the Whole @ 9:00 a.m.
followed by a Special Meeting - Council Chambers
- Jan 14 Official closing of Time Capsule @
2:00 p.m. - Minden Hills Library
- Jan 28 Public Meeting (re Fees & Charges – Cultural
Centre (only) Programs and Services) @
9:00 a.m. followed by Council - Council Chambers
- Feb 11 Committee of the Whole @ 9:00 a.m. –
Council Chambers
- Feb 25 Council @ 9:00 a.m. – Council Chambers
- Mar 18 Public Meeting re: Tariff of Fees and Charges
- Mar 18 Special Council Meeting (Budget Deliberation)
followed by a Public Meeting
- Mar 25 Consideration of 2010 Budget



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Cultural Centre Admission:

New cultural Centre admission will be introduced soon. Members, as before, will be free. The public or members can attend a public meeting to voice any concerns or questions about the new fee. Meeting will be held January 28th, Council Chambers 9 am.

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For more information contact museum curator, Carol Simmons at 286-3154 or email museum@mindenhills.ca.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Special Council Meeting has been called for **Thursday, January 14th, 2010**. The Special Council Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, following the Committee of the Whole Meeting. The purpose of the Special Meeting is for Council to consider:

- a) Approval of the RInC Funding Agreement
- b) CAF Funding Application

Notice is further hereby given that a Special Council Meeting has been called for **Thursday, January 28th, 2010** for the purpose of council to consider amending the Fees & Charges By-law for the Cultural Centre (only) Programs and Services).

ANNOUNCEMENT

Official Time Capsule Closing at the Minden Library on Thursday, January 14th, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

NOTICE

Please visit www.mindenhills.ca (Elections tab) for complete up-to-date notices from the Township on the upcoming Municipal Election 2010.

NOTICE-NEW SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE

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HHSS exchange student meets Mindenite on trip to Vimy Ridge

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

There have been some surprising twists in Mike Callaghan's Rotary exchange trip to Belgium.

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student left in August for an 11-month exchange in the European country, thanks to the Haliburton Rotary Club.

"So far, things have been great for me in Belgium," Callaghan wrote in a recent email to the *Times*. "I'm really enjoying my exchange. I've been able to see and do a lot."

Callaghan is staying with host families in Huy, a city of about 20,000 people between the larger Belgium cities of Namur and Liège.

"Things were a little hard and different at first, but now things are normal," Callaghan wrote, explaining that he becomes more comfortable in his host country as time goes by.

He's seen much of Belgium and has also visited London and Paris with Belgium Rotary clubs and groups of other exchange students.

On Remembrance Day, Callaghan along with other Canadians visited the memorial at France's Vimy Ridge. And, quite unexpectedly, he ran into a familiar face.

"During the tour of the trenches, I met Rob Parrish, who works at Archie Stouffer Elementary School with mom," Callaghan explained. "When I first saw him, I kept thinking I knew him and when he said, 'Hi,' to me, I knew who he was. When I was talking to him, it made me realize just how small the world is."

His encounter with Parrish wasn't his only reminder of home during his trip to Vimy.

"Just before the tour I signed the visitor's book and three spots above my signature, I saw that someone said they were from Haliburton, Ont.," Callaghan wrote. "I was just so surprised that someone from the Highlands was there the same day and same place as me, I forgot to even look at the name to see who it was."

While Callaghan is attending school in Belgium, classes are held in French and he does not earn credit for it. He will complete Grade 12 at HHSS when he returns for the 2010/2011 school year.



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Mike Callaghan is spending 11 months in Europe on an exchange trip.

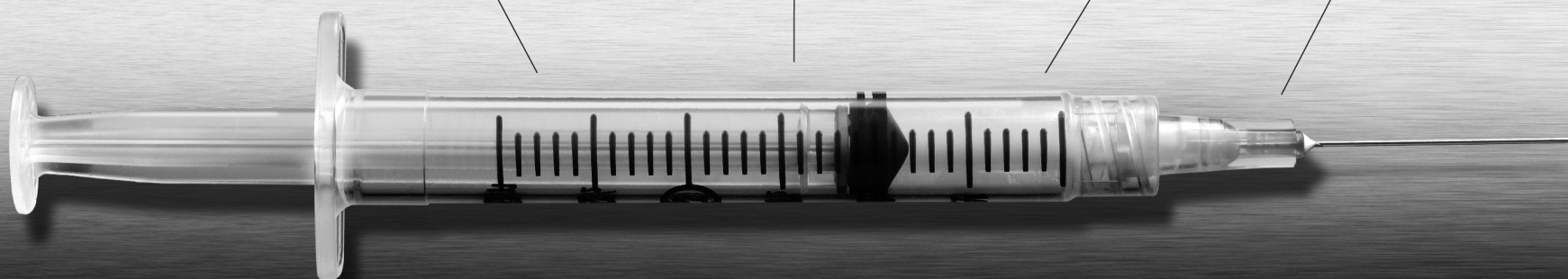
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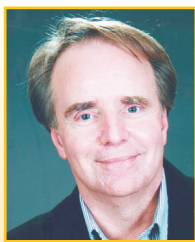
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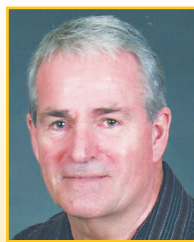
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Chamber of commerce is 75 years old and still growing

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is celebrating its 75th anniversary and it's doing so with renewed zeal.

The chamber has more than 330 members, almost 100 of which have joined in the last year, and that number is still growing.

In all, there are about 600 businesses in Haliburton County.

"That's phenomenal," chamber president Nick Lawrence said last week, pointing out that having more than half an area's businesses as chamber members is a rate that is basically unheard of.

So, just what has led to this spike in membership?

"It's a lot of different things," said administrative coordinator Maria Micallef, who started at the chamber a year ago. "A lot of it has to do with fostering communication between members."

Mass emails, a newsletter and monthly members' breakfasts are just some of the ways in which the chamber is widening the dialogue between its members.

"Communication is a huge issue," Lawrence said.

"We've spent a lot of time visiting other chambers," Micallef said, adding that in particular, the Bracebridge, Bancroft and Peterborough chambers have been helpful in creating a chamber model for Haliburton.

The chamber also recently became a member of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

"The great thing about that is peer counselling," Micallef said, explaining that she can get advice over the phone or Internet from other members of the national chamber, from coast to coast to coast.

And while the chamber is clearly in a stage of growth, Lawrence said this shift has not come overnight.

"We've reached a culmination of all the efforts over the last five years," he said.

Lawrence has been a chamber member for six years and president for three. While the chamber at one time was funded by the county and operated as a wing of the municipal government, that changed five years ago and the chamber today is completely funded by its members.

"It's taken a few years to make that change," Lawrence said. There was a period where there was some animosity between the county and the chamber, but that relationship is now becoming more

Chad Ingram/TIMES



Kendra Kellett, Maria Micallef and Nick Lawrence are proud that the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year.

symbiotic, he said.

"We're working with them," Micallef said, adding that networking not only with the local government but also with the area's MPP and MP are crucial to the chamber's continued success.

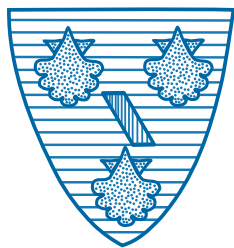
And the chamber is continuing to start new programs and reinvent itself. A new program, which Micallef said has been slow to start but which more members are

signing up for, is a member discount program, whereby members get deals at each other's businesses.

Micallef said that she also hopes to develop more cross-promotion amongst chamber members.

The chamber has a 12-member board of directors, its largest in many years and 25 businesses have been part of the chamber since 1965, Micallef said.

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Bigwin project gets federal bucks

Steamboat is to be relaunched in July to celebrate its 100th birthday

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Bigwin is getting closer to getting back on Lake of Bays.

The Lake of Bays Marine Museum and Navigation Society, which has been working on refurbishing the antique steamboat since 2002, has just learned that it has been approved for a \$380,000 grant from FedNor, a regional grant program run by Industry Canada.

"The grant is awarded based on matched funds from the museum to be used for the restoration," explained Ashley Wynne, spokesperson for the navigation society. "Although some money has yet to be raised, friends of the Bigwin are hopeful that a launch is possible for the summer of 2010."

If the society is able to match the money, it should basically cover the restoration project's estimated \$800,000 price tag. The society raises money through admission and art sales at the museum in

Dorset, grants and private donations.

The society is keen to get the Bigwin back on the water this summer, since 2010 marks the ship's 100th birthday.

The goal of the restoration is to restore the ship to its original 1910 condition and reparations of its steel frames, the replanking of its hull and the acquisition and refurbishing of a 1910 steam engine have all been completed.

The restoration will also repair the ship's deck, its wheelhouse and install new windows and submersible pumps.

More than 20 metres in length and weighing 25 tons, the Bigwin carried passengers back and forth from Bigwin Island from 1925 to 1970. After the closure of the Bigwin Inn, an island resort that attracted the rich and famous to Muskoka, the boat was stored in a boathouse for decades where it suffered severe water damage.

Renovations are taking place in a specially constructed structure behind the museum.



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Built in 1910, the Bigwin carried passengers to and from Bigwin Island in Lake of Bays from 1925 to 1970. The Lake of Bays Marine Museum and Navigation Society is reconstructing the boat in an \$800,000 project.

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Haliburton COUNTY news

Trial set for accused squatters

by JENN WATT
Editor

The six people charged with occupying someone else's cottage on Kennis Lake Road in November appeared in Ontario court of justice in Minden Wednesday to set a trial date.

Their legal aid duty counsel, Mark Christie, told the court that the group would be arguing their right to the property as "sons and heirs of God" and that they disputed none of the Crown's evidence against them.

It is alleged that Victor Beck of Campbellford, Yakim Belair of Laval, Ont., William Russ of St. Catharines, Ont., Diann Turkington of Ridgeway, Ont., Doug Baskin of St. Catharines and Alexandre Nault of Rimouski, Que. occupied the cottage Nov. 10 illegally. Real estate agent Cathy Lancia said she was made aware of the group when she found an envelope with a note and photocopied birth certificates stating they were in the cottage.

The six have always been described as courteous and passive when faced with authority.

Victor Beck, the de facto spokesperson for the group, said that they would be using the Bible as a defence for the unlawful entry charge.

"The Bible is not a defence," Judge L.E. Chester said. "If your application is dealing with the Bible, it won't [take long] to adjudicate on that."

Beck replied that all of the laws of the world stem from the law of God and as such, the Bible was his ultimate legal text.

"You still have to comply with the rule of law," Chester replied.

The judge told the group that he would set a trial date of Jan. 20 at Minden court and they would have to determine what portions of the Charter of Rights they want to apply by Jan. 14.

Since the accused disputed none of the Crown's facts, the trial could be accelerated, all parties agreed.

"There won't be resistance on our part in terms of the facts," Beck said.

"There's extenuating circumstances why we did what we did," he said.

On Jan. 20, the synopsis of the events of Nov. 10 will be read in and the rest of the trial will be comprised of arguments of rights.



Red Hawk girls take four sets in tourney

Haliburton junior girls hosted a Kawartha zone volleyball tourney and took four sets in the round robin. Coach Caputo is seeing a huge improvement in his team's play. The Hal High junior girls' team will be travelling to Brock High School this afternoon for another Kawartha zone junior volleyball tournament.

Minden teen wins provincial curling crown

by TERRANCE GAVAN
Times Staff

Former Haliburton High curler and Minden resident Jake Walker is hurrying hard to a date with destiny.

His foursome won the Ontario junior curling championship with a convincing 7-1 victory over Mat Camm's Navan foursome in the provincial final played at the Teeswater Curling Club last Wednesday afternoon.

Walker is curling out of Kitchener's Westmount Golf and Country Club, and taking a full load of five engineering courses at the University of Waterloo.

Curling has suddenly slid into the forefront of his busy, busy life. It'll be brooms over books for the next two weeks leading up to the Canadian junior championships.

Reached by phone last Thursday evening, Walker was simply ecstatic about the win and his team's impending trip to the Canadian Junior National curling championships being held in Sorel-Tracy, Que. from Jan. 16-24.

"It's huge for me because this is my last year in junior," says Walker. "So for me to make it to nationals it's a great accomplishment."

Walker also skipped his team to the Toronto Curling Association junior championship over the winter break.

The first prize for that victory was an all-expense-paid trip to the Vancouver Olympics and free tickets to several curling events at the Olympic curling venue.

But that's just the icing. The cake is this trip to the nationals and the memories of some stellar battles fought against old foes and faux-foes (former curling teammates) to earn that trip to the junior finals.

Edward Cyr, another former Red Hawk curler plays third on Camm's Navan foursome. The Camm rink finished up the round robin at 7-0, while Team Walker finished at 6-1, the only loss coming via a heartbreaking 7-5 loss to Camm in the final draw of the round robin on Tuesday night.

Camm earned a bye to the Wednesday afternoon final and forced Walker's team into a crucial semi-final match against Kurtis Byrd of the Rideau Curling Club last Wednesday morning.

Walker eked out a 5-4 decision over Byrd, a victory sealed in the 10th end with Walker throwing last rocks and the teams tied at four.

The final was dominated by the Walker rink who literally stole the championship away from the Camm foursome.

Walker last curled for Hal High in 2008 and he says that he owes a big part

of his success to his grandfather Bruce Armstrong, a well-known curler in the Highlands area.

"My grandfather used to be the president of the Haliburton curling club and he was the one who asked that my mom get me into curling when I was about eight," says Walker.

He adds that he and his younger brother Jesse – who curled second for the Red Hawks bronze medal team last season and is back chucking and sweeping for Hal High this year – have both benefited from a solid skill set developed from a young age at the Haliburton and other area curling clubs.

He says that his granddad is naturally very proud of his accomplishments and his former coach Tom Dibblee has been keeping everyone in the area apprised of the accomplishments of all of the Red Hawk alumni.

"My mom and dad [Nancy and Corey Walker] are very excited about it all," says Walker, who adds that the national junior final will be televised live on TSN.

All of his teammates are attending university, but he says that they have all made a commitment to jump full throttle into the upcoming battle for Canadian junior supremacy.

Hal High curling foursome headed for Gore playdowns

by **TERRANCE GAVAN**
Times Staff

His brother Jake is off to the Canadian junior curling nationals next week, and young gun Jesse Walker seems determined to follow in his footsteps – albeit wearing Teflon-coated boots.

Jesse Walker is skipping a curling four-some out of Hal High, a team that has some rather large shoes to fill this season.

And if it seems like we're banging on a recurring theme here, you have to realize that hack to hog is where the deed gets done in curling.

And the better you slide, the better it all works. Hence this somewhat metaphorical "Imelda Marcos" drift into a shoes-blues schematic.

Last year Jesse Walker curled second on a Red Hawk team that captured the prestigious Gore provincial schoolboy curling crown, and then later went on to win the Kawartha and COSSA curling championships.

The team, composed of skip Connor Duhaime, lead Owen Duhaime, third Curtis Nichol and Jesse Walker then went on to capture the bronze medal in the 2009 OFSAA provincial championships.

So, you see: big, big slippery-slidey shoes to fill this year for a Red Hawk team coached by an effervescent mentor, Tom Dibblee, who seems to have sold his soul to some curling demon at a Mississippi crossroads, under full moon at midnight.

Seriously though, the Echo owes huge

props to Dibblee, whose thoughtful, all-encompassing and insightful curling correspondence over the Christmas break has kept us all – ink-stained wretch included – apprised of the huge success enjoyed by young Highlands' curlers over Christmas and beyond. (See a story on Jake Walker on page 14.)

On the home front, Dibblee has been busy ushering his Red Hawk charges to various events and attempting to keep them focused as they prepare for yet another busy season.

This year's squad, skipped by Jesse, and supported by Owen Duhaime at third, second, Connor Cowan, and Mike Mazara at lead is now fully ensconced in a battle to defend their Gore provincial schoolboy crown.

"We had success at the Gore Zone 5 curling playdowns Jan. 8-9, held at the Beaverton Curling Club," writes Dibblee.

The team beat IE Weldon 11-2 in their first game and then went on to post an 8-5 victory over Brock High School.

A very close 6-5 loss to Holy Cross bumped them to the B-side, but they roared back in the B-side final post an 11-5 victory over the same Brock Bulldog squad.

That win on the B-Side pushes the Hawks' foursome to a berth in the upcoming Gore regionals at the High Park Club in Toronto on Jan. 31 to Feb. 1.

An injury Mazara suffered in the Holy Cross game might have led to the loss in the A-side final, as Mazara was forced



The Hal High curling foursome is getting ready to defend their Gore provincial schoolboy curling title with a new set of faces this year. From left to right are skip Jesse Walker, vice Owen Duhaime, second Connor Cowan and lead Mike Mazara. The team advanced to the Gore regional playdowns at High Park curling club Jan. 30-31 with a B-side victory over Brock High School last week./Photo submitted

into a secondary role holding the broom, and the other three curlers had to throw three rocks apiece in the game.

The team is also immersed in their

league schedule, and they head to Fenelon Falls on Thursday (Jan. 14) for a Kawartha southwestern zone match-up.



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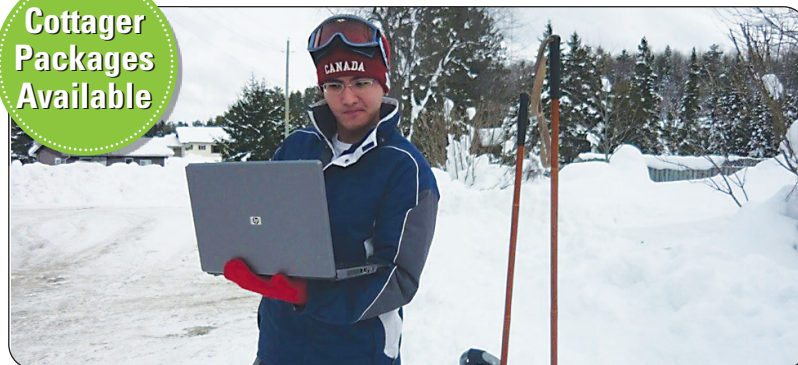
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Minden Times gets new publisher

by JENN WATT
Editor

After four years at the helm of the *Haliburton Echo* and *Minden Times*, general manager David Zilstra got a job offer he couldn't refuse; he was asked to run the *Barrie Examiner*, a daily newspaper serving tens of thousands of readers.

Although it meant he would have to leave the Highlands and all of the friends, clubs, and sports, he was up for the challenge.

"I've enjoyed my time here ... getting involved with Rotary and the hospital board," Zilstra said, "[going to Barrie]

was a challenge that I wanted to take on at this particular time of my life."

He also said he would miss working with the staff at the *Times*.

"I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the [paper] working with all of the talented and dedicated staff. Everyone is very devoted to producing papers and publications week after week with enthusiasm and creativity. ... I will miss everyone at the paper that I worked so closely with for the last four years," he said.

Replacing Zilstra will be an equally involved and tenacious newspaperman, John Bauman, who has spent his entire



Former *Times* general manager David Zilstra, left, passes the torch and the paper to John Bauman.

career in Southwestern Ontario working in Clinton and Kincardine.

"When they asked me to consider moving to Haliburton, it was the perfect situation to move into," Bauman said.

He, his wife Michelle and children Quinn, 9, and Brendon, 15, have found a home in the Highlands. Michelle, a graphic artist, and the kids will arrive after the school year is over.

Besides working in small-town newspapers, Bauman has also been a skating coach for 20 years teaching both figure and power skating. It is something he

hopes to continue here.

"The community has been very friendly. I've been welcomed by everyone I've met," he said.

Like Zilstra, Bauman is an active Rotary Club member and has been accepted into the Haliburton branch. He said he's excited to embrace the Highlands winter sports such as hockey, downhill skiing and ice fishing.

Zilstra said his wife, Marie, will continue working as a teacher at Stuart Baker Elementary School and they will keep living in West Guilford.



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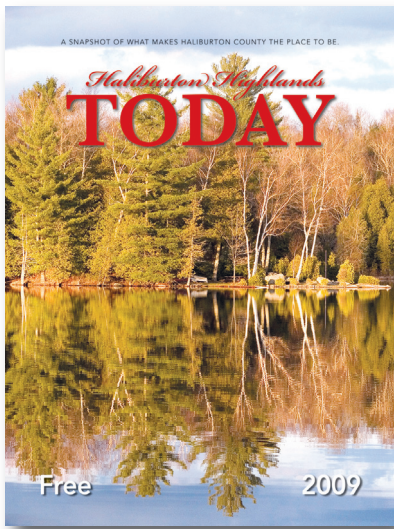
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Hawks take Mustangs for a ride

by TERRANCE GAVAN
Times Staff

A deceptively long and grueling grind this Kawartha high hockey pas de deux.

The dance is demanding, and the gnawing, niggling injuries take their separate and inevitable tolls as teams roll into the dog days of January.

And so it goes with the unbeaten Red Hawk hockey squad, who came to the table depleted but undaunted last Monday evening at Dysart Barn.

The Hawks – who called up Aaron Hillier to fill out an injury-riddled roster – took the ice with only 11 skaters, but they managed to put paint to palette on a 4-3 masterpiece, while hustling past a fully-staffed Crestwood Mustangs contingent, thanks to a pair of goals from the league's scoring leader Ashton Haley.

Haley got things going with the game's first goal, and nabbed the eventual game-winner as the Hawks managed to stave off a late third period surge from Crestwood who, down 4-2 with 2:25 left in the game, pulled goalie Jordan Harrison in favour of the extra attacker.

The Mustangs made things interesting when forward Curtis Perry managed to stuff a loose puck past Hawk's netminder Paddy Manuge with 14 seconds left.

That goal came just seconds after the Hawks missed on an opportunity to seal the deal on a wide careering and bouncing biscuit that somehow managed to sneak past the open net.

The late seconds Mustang tally might have been a deal breaker, but the Hawks rallied firmly around Manuge who stood his ground in the face of a crease-side scrum to tie the game.

The game was marred by a few ejections with a second remaining. Crestwood's Brandon Perry and Adam Blanchfield were both hit with gross misconduct penalties in a goalmouth scrum and were ushered off the ice.

Earlier in the period Red Hawks defenseman Matt Rae – who scored the game's second goal – received a game misconduct for a knee-on-knee collision.

Hal High coach Ron Yake said that the Rae incident will be reviewed by the league and will probably result in a one-game suspension for Rae, not good news for the already undermanned Hawks who are headed to Lindsay for a tilt against St. Thomas Aquinas on Thursday afternoon.

But on the glass half full side, Monday's victory against AAA Crestwood pushed the Hawks record to 7-0-1 on the season, keeping them on target for a very, very interesting game versus the only other undefeated team in the league, Peterborough's St. Pete's who are also sitting at 7-0-1. That showdown at the Dysart Corral – see Clanton v. Earp is slated for Monday, Feb. 8.

That's a "be-there or be-square, bookmark on your I-Phone app" kinda' night in Haliburton.

The one blemish on the Hawks record came last Tuesday, Jan. 6 via a 6-6 draw against Thomas A. Stewart. St. Peter's tied 3-3 versus Fenelon Falls back on Dec. 17.

On Monday night at the Dysart arena, the Hawks stayed poised, balanced and sharp on the power play and penalty kill, but most important, they kept Crestwood discombobulated with a strong and incisive forward zone



Terrance Gavan/TIMES

Red Hawk Ashton Haley was red hot again last Monday night at the Dysart Barn. Haley, scored a pair of goals including the gamewinner as the Hawks stretched their unbeaten record to 7-0-1 with a 4-3 victory against the visiting Crestwood High Mustangs.

attack.

The Hawks also received some important moral support and firepower from the usual suspects, but a newcomer also popped to the forefront. Brett Yake scored a goal and an assist, Ian Bottum and Hillier added two assists apiece, while Cole Rowden added a single helper.

Yake was understandably happy and just a little relieved that his 11 skaters played so well against Crestwood, a bona fide AAA powerhouse.

"I was very pleased with our overall play tonight," said Yake after the game. "We're starting to work on our defensive zone coverage and I would say that our fore-checking, our penalty killing and our power play are coming along nicely. We showed good puck control tonight on the power play."

But oh, those injuries. Not something a coach likes to see, but at the same time something that all coaches must accept and cope with.

"Well, we're down Scott [Griffith], Zach Boice, Brandon [Yake] and Mark Vasey is still out, so that's depleted us quite a bit," sighed Yake. "You could look down the bench and see that we didn't have that many seats filled."

He's hoping that two more players will be available for Thursday's game against St. Thomas Aquinas and the rest may be on the roster for an important road game versus Cobourg West next Monday.

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DAWSON HAMILTON - A LIFE TOO SHORT

Jenn Whiteway was like a big sister to Dawson, taking him on trips, and providing the family with down time. Recently she took Dawson to see Matt Duchene play a game against the Leafs.



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By Martha Perkins

As homes go, this one is pretty small. Twice as long as it is wide, there's a door at one end and a window at the other. There's enough room for a bed, a television and a couch, plus storage shelves for a few toys and some

canned food that can be heated up in a microwave.

This room, or others like it, on the eighth floor of Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children has been Dawson Hamilton's home since May of 2005. Ever since he fell off his bike as a rambunctious five-year-old and an observant emergency department doctor suspected something more amiss than a bruised knee, Dawson has been living in this hospital. On January 23, he celebrated his eighth birthday in this room.

It's a life that would drive most adults crazy. But on a Saturday afternoon in early March, Dawson is sitting up in his bed, giggling quietly as he plays a game on his laptop computer. When that's done, he asks his dad, Scot, to tell him the story behind the photos of the deer that prance across his computer screen as part of an ongoing slideshow. Then, after a nurse changes the dressings on his stomach, he cheerfully picks up the small electric guitar that he got for Christmas. Dawson is a big fan of Johnny Cash and he's trying to learn the opening chords of Folsom Prison Blues. Too bad he keeps losing his pick in the folds of his blanket.

"I think it's just him," dad Scot says, his voice full of admiration of the way his son has bravely coped with two rounds of chemo, two bone marrow transplants, a full-body radiation treatment and an endless series of complications. "Whatever he does [in life], I don't think there's anything that would hold him back."

Dawson was a junior kindergarten student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School when, the Sunday before the Victoria Day holiday in 2005, he fell off his bike. He'd been getting a few bruises lately but Scot, who is a single father, thought they were just the battle scars of a little boy trying to keep up with his big brother, Tanner. By the Wednesday, however, Dawson was still complaining of pain so Scot took him to the emergency department in Minden.

The doctor on duty was Bert Lauwers. He asked some questions and then did some tests, all of which worried him. Dawson's spleen was enlarged and if, as Dr. Lauwers suspected, it contained cancer cells, then it was critical to act quickly. A burst spleen would release all those cells into Dawson's tiny body.

Dawson and Scot were taken by helicopter to a hospital in Kingston where Dawson underwent a barrage of tests, including a CAT scan. The results were worrying enough to transfer him, by airplane, to Toronto.

One minute Scot was the father of a typical five-year-old who'd simply fallen off his bike. The next he was thrown into an entirely new universe called the Hospital for Sick Children.

When it came to cancer, Dawson sure knew how to pick 'em. He was diagnosed with chronic myeloid leukemia. Usually reserved for men – such as Toronto Maple Leafs left winger Jason Blake – only one child a year in Canada

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Martha Perkins interviewed Dawson and his dad Scot in his permanent room at Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto in 2008 where he was recovering from the side effects of chemo and radiation.



One of Dawson's favourite musicians was Johnny Cash, whose songs he practiced in his bed.

'We all love him to pieces. He's a card; he makes the nurses laugh'

will get this cancer of the blood cells.

Treatment for adults is usually a pill a day but there are no studies on the drug's effectiveness with child patients. "The only way for Dawson was to go for a cure, not a fixer upper," Scot says. That meant a bone marrow transplant.

Before Dawson could receive the healthy bone marrow of a donor, all of his own blood cells had to be killed, the good and the bad. He underwent an aggressive round of chemo once a donor with a perfect match was found in New Brunswick. A couple of months later, in December, Dawson sailed through the transplant process which, for him, entailed lying in bed with an intravenous tube stuck in his arm.

Everything went exceptionally well and, after three months, the doctors let Dawson go home to Minden. It was a joyous occasion for Scot and his two sons, not to mention Scot's extended family in Minden and friends.

But if Scot missed all the early signs of cancer the first time, he was much more attuned to the danger signals this time around. Dawson was tiring easily, there were unexplained bruises.

"Was that when my foot was aching," Dawson asks his dad as he listens to the story being told.

Scot asked for an early check up and on Aug. 2, 2006, Dawson was diagnosed with acute lymphonic leukemia.

Although this form of cancer is usually easier to treat, Dawson was still in for a battle. He'd have to undergo another round of chemo and blood marrow transplant. This time, to be extra safe, doctors also recommended full-body radiation. They were going to kill every single cancer cell that may be lurking in Dawson's body.

Once again, Scot had to listen to doctors talk about the odds of Dawson's survival. With every transplant the odds get worse. But Scot decided not to think that way. "At the end of the day, they're just numbers," he says of the odds.

For three days in November 2006, Dawson was put on a stretcher and wheeled through the underground hallways that link Sick Kids with Princess Margaret Hospital. He was put into the radiation room, his body covered by thick

plastic mats. No one was allowed in there with him; he'd have to do it alone. He was asked if he wanted to watch a children's video but he said no. He had his Johnny Cash CD and he'd be fine.

"We can see him and we can hear him," says Scot. "The radiation would be going and he'd be singing along with Johnny Cash and [all the technicians] would be laughing.

"It must just be the way he is."

The "way Dawson is" has charmed everyone he meets. During those daily trips through the basement hallways, Dawson passed some workmen. They'd all have a chat and Dawson would be wheeled away. On the last day of radiation, the workmen stopped what they were doing and presented Dawson with some gifts. "You're one of us now," they told him, giving him a hard hat and NASCAR safety glasses.

Nurse June Matt walks into Dawson's bedroom. Anyone who thinks hospitals are quiet places hasn't spent a couple of hours in Dawson's room. There is constant movement, with nurses coming in and out to check the tower of tubes that emits lights and sounds beside Dawson's bed. You hear the chatter of health care over the intercom. An ambulance arrives on the street below.

"He's amazing," the nurse says, pausing to share a smile and a story with Dawson. "We all love him to pieces. He's a card; he makes the nurses laugh. He's been pushed to the max and he's been so happy.

"One day he was out in the hallway playing with his car, with tubes coming out of him. He was feeling great."

Dawson and one of the other nurses have an ongoing competition, and not just over whether the Ottawa Senators (her) or the Toronto Maple Leafs (him) are the best team in the NHL. Dawson will load up some 66 cc syringes with water, ready to squirt her when she comes in. One day she arrived in full body armour – well, covered from head to foot in protective gear fashioned out of hospital wear.

What has given Dawson this ability to remain a child who can find fun in his day even as he's faced some of the most painful situations?

"It's Dawson," Matt says. "He's one special kid."

This isn't to say that Dawson hasn't felt fear. He's felt it numerous times. When he's scared, he asks for two things: his dad and the truth.

Matt says, "He likes to be involved and know what's going on." It's worse for Dawson if things are being done to him and no one explains why. As it is, he can

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For the patient, a blood marrow transplant itself is painless. The same can't be said for the donor. Although the donor who'd first given Dawson his healthy bone marrow was willing to suffer through the process again, doctors decided that since Dawson's cancer had returned it was best to find a new one. A second perfect match was found and after the chemo and radiation, the transfer of blood cells began. Once again, Dawson responded well to the transplant. His cancer is now in remission and everyone has their fingers crossed. But still he remains in the hospital as a multi-million-dollar team of specialists helps his body recover from the trauma of the cure.

Cancer treatments are a potent onslaught of drugs and cell-piercing beams of radiation. They're a war against the mutations in Dawson's genetic code that caused the cancer. Given the consequences of losing, doctors do everything they can to win.

Dawson's hearing has been impaired by the heavy antibiotics he's had to take. He wears two hearing aids and there's the possibility of a cochlear implant in the future. He's had trouble with his liver and his lungs and now it's his bladder, damaged by the radiation, that's acting up.

Scot has a lot of admiration for the way Tanner has coped with his brother's illness and how it has consumed the family's life. "It's made him grow up faster than he should have had to," Scot says of his oldest son. "He's had to sacrifice a lot."

Tanner doesn't talk a lot about how he feels. A Grade 7 student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, he stays

with Scot's siblings in Minden for much of the time. When he first learned his brother had cancer, it scared him "that he wouldn't be all right." He has lots of cousins to keep him busy and loves playing hockey with the PeeWees. Having friends and family nearby helps, Tanner says. "They give me people to talk to."

Scot says, "Tanner's very active and that's what keeps him going. If he slows down, that's when he starts thinking. It's really been hard on him. We've been lucky to be from a small community. You just can't thank people enough; just the whole community's been awesome."

Last Labour Day weekend, Dawson was also well enough to go home for the Kinmount Fair. Tommy Cash was performing and Scot, pulling Dawson in a wagon, arranged for Dawson to meet his favourite singer's brother. "I understand, little fellow," Tommy Cash said, "that you're sick." Dawson told him about the radiation and the problems it had caused. With tears in his eyes and his voice choking, Tommy said, "Little fellow, Johnny would love you and I love you."

"You could tell he meant it," Scot says.

Dawson also came home one day last June to take part in the county's first Relay for Life. With the word "Brave" painted on his face, he gave meaning to the event that raised more than \$100,000 for cancer research. Six months later, Christmas was much more special when Dawson was able to be in Minden for Boxing Day.

And the future for Dawson, Scot and Tanner?

With a sense of acceptance tinged with weariness, Scot says, "I'd like to have him home for the summer but..." The sentence trails off and Scot almost visibly hunkers down with his emotions. "One day at a time, that's how we've been living."



Dawson's father, Scot, was the little boy's rock through years of chemo, radiation and hospitalization.

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Next step for Stanhope runway is mediation

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said she could not repeat anything that had been discussed during last week's in-camera meeting, she did confirm that the township's legal counsel and its chief administrative officer would be travelling to Toronto for a mediation trial on Jan. 19.

Harrison said depending on what happens during mediation, there could be a full OMB hearing in Algonquin Highlands council chambers in early February.

In order for an additional 1,220-metre runway at the airport to operate, a number of old-growth trees surrounding the air-

port must be "topped" – or have up to 13 metres of their trunks cut.

The township has made offers to surrounding landowners to buy "vegetative rights" but councillors have said the Ontario Municipal Act allows the township to expropriate lands necessary for the operation of the runway if so required.

One affected property owner is actually a resident of Dysart et al township and while Algonquin Highlands has offered him \$10,000 for the rights to cut his trees, he countered the offer at a half-million dollars. While Harrison has said she believes the act allows council to expropri-

ate lands in a bordering township if necessary, the property owner believes the township would need permission from Dysart et al council.

It is still unclear whether or not the controversial project will be able to proceed, since an environmental screening assessment must first be completed at the site.

While that assessment, being carried out by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, began in October according to the agency's website, the *Times* has been unable to gain any information about the process.

Numerous calls to the media department

at Infrastructure Canada, the agency responsible for overseeing the project, have yielded no responses.

The township and the Maple Beech and Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners' Association, which strongly opposes the expansion, have also been unable to gain information about how the assessment is going. Two thirds of the project, which could cost up to \$3.6 million, is being funded by the provincial and federal governments through the Building Canada Fund. The township risks losing that funding if the project is not completed by February of 2011.

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust acquires Dahl Forest

On Dec. 23, 2009, the Dahl Family formally passed the stewardship torch to the Haliburton Highlands land trust when title of the Dahl Forest was transferred from the landowners, Peter Dahl and his sister Nana McKernan to the land trust. Peggy Dahl, the family matriarch, was instrumental in encouraging the transfer of ownership.

The Dahl Family is making this generous donation under Environment Canada's Ecological Gifts Program. It is an enduring gift to the people of Haliburton County and the province of Ontario. Under the Ecological Gifts Program, the Dahl Family will retain a life interest in the property. This will allow them to continue to live in the family home and help maintain the conservation reserve as they have for over 50 years.

The Dahl Forest is approximately 500 acres and straddles 2.7 km of the Burnt River in Haliburton County south of Gelert. William Dahl bought the proper-

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ty in the early 1950s. At that time it was abandoned farmland with depleted soil, crisscrossed with collapsed barbed wire fences where cattle scrounged for what little feed remained on the land. In the years following, the family planted more than 100,000 trees in plantations covering about 40 per cent of the property. The remaining acreage was left to regenerate naturally and has returned to wilderness. The ecological significance of the Dahl

Forest is evident in the diversity of species and habitats found on the property. The property has been a model of conservation planning and the land trust is looking forward to continuing the excellent stewardship of the Dahl family.

The land trust's conservation goals for the Dahl Forest are to protect and maintain biodiversity; protect habitat and potential habitat of Species at Risk as well as locally or regionally rare species; promote water quality and riparian habitat through the protection of shorelines and wetlands; promote succession from plantations to forests; monitor and promote forest health; promote ecology and conservation education; and provide non-motorized recreational opportunities. The Dahl Forest property will remain as a natural conservation reserve, with access by permission of the land trust only. Access will be restricted to non-motorized recreational activities such as hiking, skiing and birding.

The land trust has established The Dahl Forest Endowment Fund to ensure that it has the ability to carry out its conservation goals in perpetuity. Presently it has \$20,200 in the fund. The goal is to raise \$60,000 so that the yearly interest will cover the annual expenses for the property. The trust can issue charitable tax receipts for all donations. The trust is also looking for volunteers to help maintain the property. Donations can be made on-line at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca or cheques can be mailed to Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, P.O. Box 792, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. To volunteer or for more information contact Sheila at 705-754-2532.

The land trust would like to thank lawyers, Paul Peterson and David Shapiera; surveyor Paul Wilson; appraiser, John Mulvihill; Jane Tousaw of the County; and Elinor Kernohan of the Township of Minden Hills for their help in making this land transfer happen.



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Kinmount saddened by death of resident



AROUND THE TOWN

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This past week our community was saddened by the passing of Kathleen Suzanne Lipfeld (née Cork), RN, better known affectionately as Kacey, at the young age of 37.

On a personal note Kacey came into our lives here at the old farmhouse many years ago when at age 18 she came to help us with the ponies. Petite in stature she constantly amazed us with her skill and self-confidence around horses and we admired her willingness to share those talents through her volunteer involvement at the Kinmount Fair, showing, judging and serving on the board. In more recent years she was a valued member of the Fenelon Agricultural Society's board of directors and chairperson of the Saddle Horse Gymkhana at its fair. We have since learned that Kacey's love of animals was not limited to horses. Her concern for animal welfare is reflected in the family request that memorial donations be directed to the Humane Society Kawartha Lakes Building Fund. Kacey's all too short life was a busy one sharing the farm enterprises with her husband Mark and their two young children Nathan and Emma. Steve Wilson, Fenelon Agricultural Society president, noted that in spite of her illness, Kacey continued to carry her community respon-

sibilities. So to Kacey Lipfeld for all her gifts a prized red ribbon – no, even more – best in show.

For a real taste of country life bring the family to the Pearson family's annual Community Sleigh Ride this Saturday, Jan. 16 beginning at noon on the Galway Road eight kilometres in from County Road 121. There will be horse-drawn sleigh rides, a warming bonfire and down-home lunch items available. The cost is minimal with this year's proceeds being donated to the Windows to the Past Campaign part of the restoration of the historic Austin Sawmill project.

For some new to you reading bargains drop by the Friends of the Library book sale at the Kinmount Public Library Saturday, Jan. 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event is held on the third Saturday of each month at the branch (3980 County Road 121) and donations of good used books, both hardcover and paperback, can be dropped off there as well. Funds raised help the branch to consider special additions to its valued existing programs and services.

Speaking of the library, two new programs have been started last week at the Kinmount branch in keeping with the spirit of Family Literacy Day, Wednesday, Jan. 27. A junior book club for school-aged students takes place on Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. and on Thursdays at 11 a.m. a Six Basic Skills for Reading Preschool Programs will run through to June with a new skill presented each month. For these and other program information please give the branch a call at 488-3199 during open hours Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3 to 8 p.m., Thursdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

At the Burnt River Community Centre it will be Robbie Burns Night with dinner followed by a program of Scottish entertainment this Saturday, Jan. 16 at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$17.50 for this annual event licensed under the AGCO and should be purchased in advance by calling June at 454-1653/8045.

The Kinmount Artisans Marketplace remains closed during January to allow for upgrades to display areas and make the facility even more visitor friendly. It will re-open on Saturday, Jan. 30 then continue, weather permitting, on the usual winter schedule of Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To confirm before heading out give the Marketplace a call at 488-1414.

Until next week ...

Fifth annual pond hockey tournament to take place on Jan. 23



STANHOPE LIFE

Gina Atkinson

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Now that the holidays are over and most of us have taken the decorations down it might be time to involve ourselves in something else.

The Firehouse Restaurant and Sandy Lane Resorts have combined talents and have planned some fun starting at 8 a.m. Jan. 23 and ending Jan. 24 at 11 p.m.

This is the 5th annual Pond Hockey Tournament

The tentative plan is four-on-four playing two 15-minute periods on natural ice with modified nets and rules with no goalies. This makes it easy for non-pros to take part. Cash prizes based on entries to the tournament.

Later, after this great day of winter fun you can continue on to the Firehouse Restaurant for dinner and entertainment.

They are also offering accommodation packages for anyone interested in a mini holiday.

For registrations and more information you may call Sandy Lane Resorts at 705-489-2020, 1-800-461-1422 or at holiday@sandylaneresort.com.

The Firehouse Restaurant may be reached at 1-866-440-4750 or 489-4608.

So give them a call and get out and have some fun! Winter can be long and trying but these activities are what make them more bearable.

Speaking about winter, I anticipate mine will go faster now that I am back working at Sir Sam's! It's great to see familiar faces, at least once a day I get asked why I don't ski. Well, this will not happen unless I get dragged to the top and pushed downhill. This is definitely a sport I will watch and admire from afar. I may look like a skier wearing the new jerseys Sir Sam's has supplied us. It has a nice logo on the front and the back is imprinted with a bold "Cruise it, carve it, bike it, love it." Maybe this is why some might assume that I am a skier or maybe that during the summer I go biking down those hills! Wearing the shirt is the closest I will get to either of these sports. These legs have made it this far without being broken so there isn't any point changing my lifestyle.

Years ago I used to cross-country ski and that was more my speed, probably because of the close proximity to the ground! I learned how to maneuver the small hills with grace and agility. Actually stooping low using the skis as mini toboggans worked for me!



Township of Algonquin Highlands

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and

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Notices

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IN TODAY'S PAPER

Local syrup producers head to Buckhorn for AGM

When local maple syrup producers hold their annual general meeting in Buckhorn later this month, they'll spend most of the day arguing over the best way to make the sweet stuff.

Aside from the regular business meeting, the day's proceedings will focus on ways to meet rising consumer expectations for food quality and safety.

You don't have to be a member to attend the meeting of the Haliburton-Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers Association, which takes place on Jan. 29 at the Buckhorn Community Centre, starting at 9 a.m.

First of the main events is a presentation on the Ontario Maple Syrup Producers Association's Best Practice Program, which will set production standards for the maple industry.

Later in the day, a trio of veteran sugarmakers will discuss how they turn raw sap into quality maple syrup. Moderator Jim Moore of Janetville will take them step-by-step through the process.

There also will be presentations by risk management specialist John Henderson and agroforestry specialist Todd Leuty of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, a business meeting and election, trade show, swap table and lunch.

Organizers think the sugarmakers' panel should attract beginners trying to figure out how to get started, but it also should be a refresher course for established producers.

It was inspired by an online discussion last spring which elicited wildly divergent views on just how things should be done. Syruping, it turns out, is one of the last refuges for independent thinkers.

Panel members are Paul Reed of Kirkfield, Ross Steed of Indian River and Eric Thompson of Haliburton. During the day, beginners can also learn by talking to other producers and to dealers who will be on hand.

OMSPA's Best Practice Program reflects growing consumer and government concerns about the safety of the food we eat, including maple products. Government regulations have been imposed on other food sectors because of these concerns.

For OMSPA members, the program will be mandato-

ry. They'll have a chance for feedback and questions at meetings like the one at Buckhorn.

Haliburton-Kawartha producers come from the counties of Haliburton and Peterborough, the city of Kawartha Lakes and Durham Region.

Cost of the full day, including lunch, is \$20. The deadline for reservations is Jan. 24.

You can book your tickets through Sam McLean (657-1630 or smclean@mcleanberryfarm.com) or Neil Campbell (457-7158 or neilcampbell@xplornet.com).

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The members of the Minden Branch of the WI and their friends who were invited to the Christmas potluck luncheon in December were very disappointed that we had to cancel the event, due to the "big storm."

Everybody is looking forward to our next meeting to be held on Jan. 20 at the home of Mabel Deacon, when we will catch up on all the news and events of the area compiled by Del Williams.

Everybody is welcome to join us, please call Mabel at 286-2068 or Pam at 754-2564.

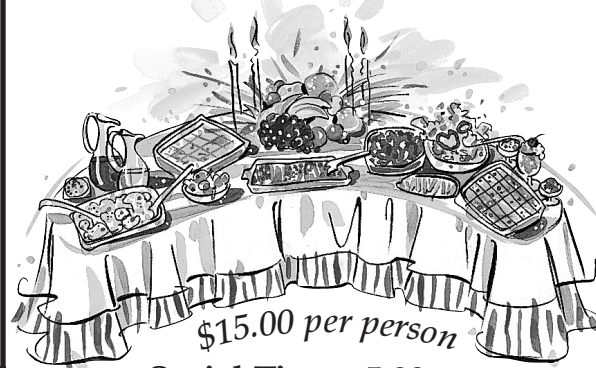
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Everybody, bead happy at Dorset rec centre



DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano

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Make a "beaded bead" to slide onto any necklace or chain you already have at the next bead class at the Dorset Recreation Centre. On Wednesday, Jan. 13 join Marlene from Big Bead at the Recreation Centre at 7 p.m. Bring your little bits and bobs of leftover beads from other projects to complete a brand new look or purchase beads from Marlene. Bead happy! Call 766-9968 for more information or to register.

The Dorset community policing committee is meeting at the Recreation Centre on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Come out and see what community policing in Dorset is all about, have a coffee and meet

new people. All are welcome. For more information, contact Marlene at 766-2409 or Doug at 766-9716.

Sign up for the needle felting class taking place on Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The class lasts approximately 1.5 hours and is \$20 per person. All materials are included. For more information and to register, please call 766-9968. Participants will end up with a beautiful work of art in felt at the end of the class.

The shelves of the ongoing book sale at the Recreation Centre are overflowing! Come on in and peruse the great selection of gently used books. There are some great titles available as well as a good selection of magazines. You won't find better bargains anywhere else – books are 50 cents each or three for a dollar and magazines are 25 cents each. Perfect for a cozy afternoon beside the fire!

Tai Chi is taking place at the Recreation Centre on Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 8 p.m. All are welcome to join in, even beginners. Learn to relax and energize with this ancient practice with teacher Valerie Houston-Peel of Temple Knights Holistic Marital Arts. For more information, contact Valerie at 705-767-1177.

The Lions Camp Dorset and Tall Pines Snowmobile Club Dorset Poker Rally is coming up on Saturday, Feb. 13. All proceeds are to aid kidney dialysis at Lions Camp Dorset. Watch for details in upcoming Dorset news columns or have a look at www.tallpines.org or www.lionscamp-dorset.on.ca or contact Charmaine at 766-9263 or Helen at 766-2662.

Organizers are gearing up for the 20th annual Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival coming up on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 19 and 20 and many events and activities are in the works. The Snowball committee

would like to extend thanks to Stephen and Laura Smith for their years of running the ever popular snowshoe races. Thank you for a job well done!

It is with great regret that the Smiths are unable to participate this year. The Snowball committee is putting out a call to the community for someone to help out in this regard. If you are interested in helping with one of the most fun activities at Snowball, give Melissa a call at 766-9968 (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) for more information.

Birthday wishes for the week of January 10 to 16 go out to Corey Crewson, Kevin Nixon, Joyce McKey, Marie Warkentin, Hugh Reynolds and Graham Avery. Have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

To advertise your upcoming event, call Angela at 286-1288

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community calendar

What's happening in the County

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• January 15: Shepherd's Table Community Supper at 5:30 pm – Everyone is welcome to our free, hot, nutritious meal. Lakeside Baptist Church, Park Street, Haliburton. Please RSVP to 457-2851.

• January 15: Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary – Will be serving open face turkey sandwiches or cabbage rolls plus scalloped potatoes, veggies, desert, tea and coffee from 12 noon to 7 p.m. at the Legion. Cost is only \$7:50. Everyone welcome, proceeds will go to our sports fund. Take out available.

• January 17: Lochlin Community Centre is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner – Everyone welcome, seating available for 4:30 pm or 5:45 pm (3rd setting may be added depending on reservations) adults \$10, kids 12 and under \$6, preschoolers FREE. Bring kids, friends and neighbours, enjoy your evening and support your local community centre. For reservations call Paula at 457-3557 or Linda at 286-3438.

• January 21: The annual meeting of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild will be held at the Red Cross Outpost in Wilberforce – Join us at 7:00 pm. All welcome. Refreshments.

• January 21: The University Women's Club of Haliburton highlands welcomes Laurie Garmount, curator of the Agnes Jamieson Gallery as guest speaker - Join us at 2:00 p.m. at Fleming College Haliburton. Members are invited to include interested guests and potential members to the

program section of this meeting. Please note the change in time.

• February 6: Pot Luck Luncheon – Minden Horticultural Society at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 12 noon. Heritage seeds is the topic and guest speaker Karen Sloan from Wild Flower Studio. Bring your own plate, utensils and a pot luck dish to share. For more information please call Barb at 286-1320.

• February 13: Dead Poets Salute Unrequited Love at the Dominion Hotel in Minden from 7:30-9:30 pm – The deads are rising again! The Spiritual Advisor of the dead poets society is looking for lively deads who will select a poem or two to read – guess when? On the eve of St. Valentine's day at the Dominion in romantic downtown Minden. The Dead have been entertaining the elite intellectual class in the County for four years with turns from Poe, Whitman, Donne, Dorothy Parker, just to name a few. Clever Friends: choose a poem on unrequited love and let the Spiritual Advisor know by emailing Michael Fay at fay.m@sympatico.ca. And, if you just want to quaff an ale or a ruby red wine, come-on-down-to-the-Dominion on February 13!

Good News Club – Junior kindergarten to Grade 3 children are invited to a fun filled club with Christian values taught. The program will be be walked over to J.D. Hodgson School. The program is free. Children can be picked up at JDH at 5pm. Call Stephanie 754-0079.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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Coming Events A940

CALL FOR ARTISTS Home Sweet Home Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre Deadline: Jan 16 4 pm Exhibition: Jan 23 - Feb 20 Entries in all media open to members of the Rails End, a public art gallery dedicated to bringing art to life in Haliburton. New members welcome (\$25 adult/\$10 student). download entry form: www.railsendgallery.com or call 457-2330 info@railsendgallery.com

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Graveside Service

A Graveside Service will be held at a later date. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Salvation Army or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

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Deaths

CULLEY, Elizabeth (Betty) (nee Lauder)
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Welch: -Thank you to absolutely everyone who helped in any way with Ron's care - the Drs and staff at Cardiac Sciences Unit at KGH, Dr. McCann and staff at Hotel Dieu who gave Ron back his summer, Dr. Vasquez for his care and house calls, Susan, Yvonne, Theresa, June, Rose, Linda, Carrie, Monique, Donna, Nina, Kathy S, Kathy M, Heather Sherry, to Rev. Nick, Rev. Stan, Rev. McShane for their visits, Hospice Quinte. To Para-Med and Vitalaire for their assistance with physical needs, to the many people who prayed for Ron, to everyone for their cards and contacts, to our neighbours and friends who saw us through these past difficult days, to our Church family at Holy Trinity for their support and help with a fitting service for Ron and reception afterwards - we will be forever grateful. Pat, Shari, Heather, Craig, Georgia and Gage.
- Pat Welch and family

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Thank You Donald J. Sampson 1945-2009

The family of Don Sampson would like to thank all those who extended their condolences to us.

Your prayers, your kind words, and support are very much appreciated by the family. We wish to express our gratitude to those who sent flowers, brought gifts of food, and sent cards of comfort.

A special thanks to John Spence for his quick response and help, to Rev. Ron Mahler for his visit to us at the Minden hospital and to Dwaine and Laurie Lloyd of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for their kind support.

Many thanks to Barb, Andrea, Monty, and the Alpha groups for their special contributions to Don's Celebration of Life at Bonnie View.

To those who made contributions in memory of Don to the Stuart Baker Tutorial Reading Program, The Ontario Lung Association, or the charity of your choice, we thank you.

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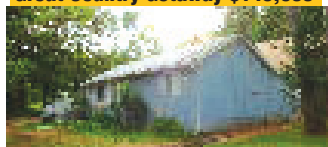
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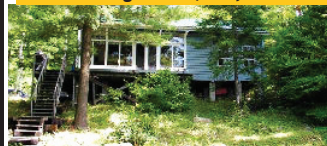
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